

### COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR



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Treasurer and Tax Collector\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: BUSINESS LICENSE ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY REPORT

FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007

At the meeting of September 30, 1997, your Board approved amendments to the Los Angeles County Code requiring the Treasurer and Tax Collector, in cooperation with the Sheriff and the Department of Health Services, to implement a reporting format to track business license enforcement activity and to provide a quarterly summary to the Board of all license enforcement activities performed by the appropriate agencies.

A copy of the Report for the quarter ending September 30, 2007 is attached for your information. Detailed enforcement activity is available upon request.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (213) 974-2101 or your staff may contact Edward Eng of my staff at (213) 893-7968.

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Attachments

c: Business License Commission

## TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR BUSINESS LICENSE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007

#### Thomas Market, 1802 Burkett Road, El Monte

On August 22, 2007, TTC staff was to participate in a Nuisance Abatement Taskforce to conduct a site inspection of Thomas Market located at 1802 Burkett Road, in the unincorporated area of El Monte. The inspection was in response to a number of complaints involving loitering and public intoxication in front of the business. The site inspection was postponed and rescheduled for October 2007.

#### Sheriff's Taxi Cab Sting Operation, Florence Firestone

On September 26, 2007, TTC staff participated in a taxi cab sting operation coordinated by the Century Sheriff's Station. The sting operation was in response to complaints from County licensed taxi cab operators on the large number of unlicensed "bandit" cabs operating in the Florence Firestone area. The sting operation resulted in four unlicensed taxi cabs impounded and each driver was issued a misdemeanor citation from the Sheriff for operating without a business license.

#### **Bar Compliance Check, East Los Angeles**

On September 27, 2007, TTC staff participated in a bar compliance check in East Los Angeles. Other agencies that participated in the bar compliance check included the East Los Angeles Sheriff's Station, State Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC), State Board of Equalization, State Worker's Compensation Board, County Department of Public Works (Building and Safety), County Department of Public Health and the County Department of Regional Planning. Four businesses were targeted. They were:

- Miramar Resturant, 4334 Union Pacific
- El Alma Bar, 3837 Whittier
- The Lamplighter Bar, 1347 S. Atlantic
- Rancho Alegra, 5010 Whittier

During the bar compliance check, the following restaurants/bars were determined to have violations:

- El Alma Bar: Closed by County Public Health due to a "roach infestation".
- The Lamplighter Bar: Cited by State ABC and County Public Works for code violations.

All businesses inspected by TTC staff held valid business licenses.

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**BUSINESS LICENSE INSPECTIONS** 

NUMBER OF BUSINESSES INSPECTED

TTC	857
SHERIFF	60
HEALTH SERVICES	_26
TOTAL	943

**Not In-Compliance** 

**Corrections Pending** 

TTC	697	160
SHERIFF	48	12
HEALTH SERVICES	<u>26</u>	0
TOTAL	771	172

**Violations Corrected** 

In-Compliance

TTC	53	107
SHERIFF	12	0
HEALTH SERVICES	0	0
TOTAL	65	107

### **CALLS FOR SERVICE (TTC ONLY)**

	CONSTITUENT INITIATED	REFERRALS FROM OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
Businesses Inspected	4	0
In-Compliance	0	0
Not In-Compliance	4	0
License Not Required	0	0
Violations Corrected	4	0
Referred to Business License	Commission 0	0